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INDIA OFFICE,

23rd FEBRUARY, 1903.

Sir,

With reference to the letter from this Office of the 23rd Instant, No.F.738, regarding the Pay of Lieutenant Colonel C. J. Mellias V.C., I am directed to inform you that pay for a period of 25 days, from the 7th of October last, is also chargeable to Colonial Funds in the case of Lieutenant G. Knowles, of the Indian Army, recently employed in Southern Nigeria.

Pay for the Period from the 7th to the 26th October 1902, viz: £13.14.0, was issued to Lieutenant Knowles in this £13.14.0,
country, and a Receivable Order is enclosed to enable that sum to be transferred to the credit of the Secretary of State in Council of India at the Bank of England.

Pay for the remaining 5 days was issued to Lieutenant Knowles in India, and a claim in respect thereof will be preferred in due course.

I have, &c,

(Sd.) F. W. Newmarch.

The Under Secretary of State,
Colonial Office,
S.W.

Asst. Financial Secretary.

(TRUE COPY)
M. S. Hall.

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INDIA OFFICE. LONDON.

20th March 1903.

FINANCIAL.

No. 54.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE THE GOVERNOR GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

My Lord,

With reference to the first paragraph of your letter, dated the 5th ultimo, No. 18 (Military), regarding the grant of batta to hospital cottes serving with Indian Regiments at other than Indian stations, I enclose, for your information, a copy of correspondence with the War Office on the subject.

To War Office, dated 26th February 1903.
From War Office, dated 2nd March 1903.

P. 1302. 2. The sum of £10. 8. 0 has been charged to this Office by Messrs Cox and Company in respect of the pay of Captain P. H. Cruickshank, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, for the period from the 25th January to the 11th of February 1902.

P. 1324. 3. With reference to your letter in the Finance and Commerce Department of the 22nd of January, No. 6, I enclose, for your information, a copy of a letter from the War Office, dated the 4th Instant, regarding the grant of certain allowances to Mr. Pilkington and Mr. Thompson, of the Indian

Postal

Postal Department.

F. 674,735. 4. With reference to my despatch of the 29th of August last, No. 130 (Financial), I forward, for your information, a copy of two letters to the Colonial Office, dated the 23rd ultimo, claiming the sums of £.24.13. 2 and £.13.14. 0 in respect of the pay of Lieutenant Colonel C. J. Hellias, V.C., and Lieutenant C. Knowles, respectively, for the periods stated.

In the case of Lieutenant Knowles, pay for 5 days from the 27th of October 1902 should be debited to His Majesty's Imperial Government in the Schedules of the Account Current.

F. 1290. 5. With reference to paragraph 12 of your letter dated the

Dated 3rd March 1903. 11th of December last, No. 244 (Military), I enclose a copy of a letter from the War Office, from which it will be seen that the proposal to adopt the cavalry pattern mess tin for dismounted men of mountain artillery has been agreed to.

F. 1199. 6. In continuation of paragraph 2 of my Financial Despatch No. 6 dated 9th January last, I transmit copies of the four certificates of qualification for the Assay Department of Captain J. A. Black, I.M.S., The original certificates are believed to be in that officer's possession.

7.

P. 488. 7. The sum of £100 has been advanced to Mr. H. E. Bartlett, a Deputy Conservator of Forests in the Central Provinces, on returning to duty, which should be recovered from him in India.

This advance has been treated as a final charge in this country.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient humble Servant,

(Sd) George Hamilton.

(TRUE COPY)

M. S. Hall.

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Copy Reference from the *ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S* **Department.**

Register No. *1576*
(Audit Query)

● Referred to Military Department.

Dated *20th January* 1903.

Reply.

Dated *2 Febry* 1903

If the Auditor's view is correct the Colonial Office should have contimued to issue the furlough Pay of Lieut. G.Knowles.

(Sd.) A.G.Scott.

I do not think the Colonial Office could be asked to accept the view of the Auditor. Lieut. Knowles was borrowed for Colonial Service while on furlough in this country. He resigned his appointment and returned to this country, but as he was not fit for duty this office refused to accept his transfer to the Indian Establishment until he had been passed by the Board. When he was reported fit for duty he reverted to the position he was in prior to being taken over by the Colonial Office. It appears to me that Indian revenues are sufficiently safeguarded by this course. Had he been taken <u>from India</u> the Colonial Office would have been required to put him back in India, but they would not be likely to admit this liability in the case of an officer taken from this country.

(Sd.) E.Stedman,
Major General,
Mily. Secy.
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To the Under Secretary of State. India Office

From Capt. G. Knowles 2/Bengal Lancers

c/o Messrs. Grindlay & Co

54 Parliament St.

London S. W.

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Sir

I have the honor to request that, in the event of my being selected by the War Office for service in Somaliland and ~~permission~~ my employment being sanctioned by the authorities in India, you will be kind enough to inform my agents Messrs Grindlay & Co of 54 Parliament St. S. W. so that they can cable the information to me to await the arrival of the Messageries Maritimes S.S. 'Tonkin' on the 5th November at Aden.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient servant

G. Knowles Capt

2/Bengal Lancers

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From Capt. G. Knowles 2 Bengal Lancers

To the Under Secretary of State, India Office

29 Tisbury Rd. Brighton

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Sir

I have the honor to report my departure from England on the 21st inst for the Continent and from Marseilles on the 26th inst in the Messageries Maritimes ss. "Tonkin". I am due to arrive at Aden on the 5th Nov. and Bombay on the 11th Nov. 1902.

My home address in future will be c/o Messrs. Grindlay & Co. 54 Parliament St. London S.W. instead of 29 Tisbury Rd. Brighton

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

George Knowles Capt

2 Bengal Lancers

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No. 153 para. 9

Dated 31 Oct 1902

9. Captain G. Knowles, 2nd Bengal Lancers, has resigned his appointment in West Africa, and has been re-transferred to the Indian Establishment, with effect from 7th October 1902. He has been ordered to rejoin his regiment without delay and has been granted leave under the Leave Rules of the Staff Corps until date of rejoining in India.

[*In continuation of paragraph* 18 *of my Military Despatch No.* 11, *dated* 1st *February* 1901.]

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Military Department.

Referred to The Accountant General The 13 Oct 1902

Please note that
Capt. G. Knowles D.S.C
has been re-transferred
to the Indian Establishment
with Effect from 7
Oct 1902 and that he
will be on leave
under the Leave Rules
for the Staff Corps
until he rejoins his
appointment in India.

Major General
Military Secy

Noted
J. J. Scott
14 Oct. 1902

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Addressed to

Under Secretary of State
Colonial Office

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

9 OCT. 1902

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22 Sept. 1902 No 37181 and to inform you in reply that

the Medical Board of this Office reported on Oct. 7th that Captain G. Knowles has sufficiently recovered to return to duty in India.

He will accordingly be transferred to the Indian Establishment with

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11758. I. 1507. 5000.—8/1902.

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with effect from the

7th October 1902.

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(S'D) F. WHITMORE SMITH.

Asst. Military Secretary.

W.O.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

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Addressed to

Capt G. Knowles
29 Tisbury Road
Brighton

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

9 OCT. 1902

Sir

I am directed ~~to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of~~ ~~the~~ ~~and to~~ inform you ~~in reply~~ that the Medical Board have passed you as fit for duty, and you have accordingly been re-transferred to the Indian Establishment with effect from 7 Oct 1902.

You should take steps

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steps for your return
to India at as early
a date as possible
Until the date of
your rejoining in India
you will be regarded as
on leave under the
leave Rules for the
Staff Corps.

(B'D) F. WHITMORE SMITH.
Asst. Military Secretary.

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MEDICAL BOARD,

INDIA OFFICE,

7 Oct. 1902.

WE certify to have carefully examined Captain G. Knowles, 2 B. Lrs.,

and find that he has sufficiently recovered to return to duty.

We therefore recommend that he may be permitted to return to his duty.

A Cowlie M.D. Surgeon-General. Colonel I.M.S.

Jas Reid Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.

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The Under Secretary of State for India
From Capt Knowles 2 Bengal Lancers

29 Sidbury Rd, Brighton
29 Sept 02

Sir

With reference to your letter M. 12246 of the 5th Sept. 02 I have the honor to request that I may be again examined by a medical board as to my fitness for service in India.
I have had my teeth thoroughly overhauled by a dentist during the last month and wish to return to India as soon as possible

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
George Knowles Capt
2 Bengal Lancers

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Addressed to The U.S. of S.,
C. O.

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

24 SEP. 1902

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 22 Septr. 1902, No. 34181/1902, and ~~to inform you~~ in reply ~~that~~ to forward a copy of a report of the Medical Board of this Office, dated 2nd Septr. 1902, from which it will be seen that the state of this Officer's teeth necessitates lengthened treatment.

~~I am therefore~~

WHITMORE SMITH,
Asst. Military Secretary.

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Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 37181/1902.

Downing Street,

22 September, 1902.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Chamberlain to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, M/12246, of the 5th of September, and to state, for the information of the Secretary of State for India, that before the letter from this Office of the 2nd of September was written, the Medical Adviser of this Department had reported that Captain Knowles was in his opinion fit to return to West Africa.

2. In view of this fact Mr Chamberlain hopes to hear that Captain Knowles will be fit to proceed to India at an early date.

I am,

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Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. L. Antrobus

The Under Secretary of State,

INDIA OFFICE.

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Addressed to Under Secretary of State
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INDIA OFFICE,

5 SEP. 1902

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd Sept. 1902 No. 34273/1902 and to inform you in reply that

Capt. G. Knowles has been examined by the Medical Board of this Office, and they have reported that he is not fit to return to duty on account of the condition of his teeth, and they recommend that

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That he be granted
3 months leave for
treatment & a declaration
having regard to
the fact that this
Officer's Engagement
with the West African
Frontier Force was for
3 years (see your letter
of 30 Nov. 1900 No. 38229/1900)
and that he is not
now fit for duty in
India and cannot
is unable to ~~return~~ resume
to his regimental
~~duty~~ ~~record~~ to the
India Establishment
until he has been
passed & a Medical
Board as fit for duty in India.

F. W.S. 4/3

(Sd) F. WHITMORE SMITH, Lt.-Col.
Actg. Military Secretary.
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Addressed to Captain G. Knowles
29 Ivisbury Road
Brighton

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

5 SEP. 1902

Sir

I am directed ~~to acknowledge the receipt of your letter~~ of ~~the~~ and to inform you ~~in reply~~ that the Medical Board which Examined you on 2nd Sept have reported that you require treatment & a dentist which will occupy some time, and they recommend that you be granted leave for

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for 3 months.

As however your original Engagement with the West African Force was for Three Years, and you are not now fit for duty in India, Lord George Hamilton is unable to accept your services at present, in the Indian Establishment.

And the question of granting you further leave is a matter for the Colonial Office to decide.

(Sd) F. WHITMORE SMITH,
Asst. Military Secretary.

F.W.S. 4/9

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MEDICAL BOARD,

INDIA OFFICE,

2 Septr. 1902

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WE certify to have carefully examined Captain G. Knowles, 2 B. Lrs.,

and find that he served on the West Coast of Africa for one year, where he was wounded and had two attacks of fever, and was invalided home in March 1902. After two months' treatment in ~~South Africa~~ this country he went to South Africa and returned a month ago. His teeth are in very bad order. He has lost the crowns of several and others are carious. He will require treatment by a dentist and it will occupy some time.

We therefore recommend that he be granted leave for 3 months.

W R Hooper *Surgeon-General.*

A Cranbii M.D. *Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.*

R.A.M. Corps.

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To the Under Sec of State for India
From Capt G. Knowles 2 Bengal Lancers

Wombourne Vicarage
Wolverhampton
29 Aug. 02

Sir

I have the honor to inform you ~~that~~ I am today in receipt of your letter No 'M.11884' of 26th inst. and note that for leave on private affairs the assent of the Govt. of India, to be ascertained by a telegram at my own expense, will be necessary.

I have the honor further to inform you that I will attend at the India Office on Tuesday September 2nd for examination by a Medical Board and would be glad to hear from you at what hour on Tuesday my attendance is necessary.

& On Monday & the 1st Sept I leave this address for Brighton where my address will be 29 Tisbury Rd:

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yr obedt Servant
G. Knowles Capt
2 Bengal Lancers

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to Capt. G. Knowles

29 Tisbury Road

Brighton

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

W.S.

INDIA OFFICE,

26 AUG. 1902

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23 Aug.t 1902 and to inform you in reply that the leave on private affairs asked for by you cannot be granted without the assent of the Govt. of India. I am accordingly to enquire whether you wish a telegram to be sent at your Expense.

I am to add that if

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the condition of

If your teeth require

your treatment in this

Country you should attend

at this Office on Tuesday

Sept. 2.nd for Examination

by the Medical Board.

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(S'D) F. WHITMORE SMITH,

Asst. Military Secretary.

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To the Military Secretary / India Office
From Capt G. Knowles / 2 Bengal Lancers

29 Tisbury Road, Brighton
23rd Aug. 02

Sir

I have the Honor to inform you that I have lately resigned my appointment of Captain in the West African Frontier Force under the Colonial Office. This resignation has, so I have been unofficially informed, been accepted by the Colonial authorities.

I have the honour to request that ~~leave~~ general leave on furlo' pay may be granted me for 2 months from 23rd Sept. to the 22nd November 1902 on private affairs to enable me to see a dentist and get my teeth put into good order before returning to India.

I wish moreover to call your attention to the fact that out of over 7½ years service under the Indian Government less than 12 months have been spent by me in England.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant
George Knowles Capt
2 Bengal Lancers

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 34273/1902

Mr Swain

Downing Street,
2nd September 1902.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Chamberlain to state for the information of the Secretary of State for India that Lieutenant G.Knowles,India Staff Corps has tendered his resignation of his appointment in the West African Frontier Force, and that his resignation has been accepted.

2. He has been informed that he will continue to draw pay from Southern Nigeria funds until the 13th of September inclusive, the date on which his leave of absence expires, and I am to request that he may be permitted to revert to the Staff Corps from that date.

His address is:-

29 Tisbury Road,
Brighton.
Sussex.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. P. Lucas

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MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

No. 23 para. 23

Dated 30 May 190 2.

23. A gratuity of six months' pay has been granted to Captain G. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, in respect of a wound received by him in action in the Aro country, Southern Nigeria, on 7th February 1902.

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It is requested that in any further communication on this subject, the above Number may be quoted; and the Letter addressed to—

The Under Secretary of State,
War Office,
London, S.W.

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WAR OFFICE,

LONDON, S.W.,

8th May 1902.

SIR,

I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to acquaint you that it has been reported to this Office that a gratuity of six months pay has been awarded to Captain G. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, in respect of a wound received in Aro Country, Southern Nigeria, on the 7th February 1902.

I am,

SIR,

Your obedient Servant,

Kenth. J. Marziels.
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Accountant General of the Army.

The Under Secretary of State,

India Office.

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Colonial Office,
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Downing Street,

23 April 1902.

The Under Secretary of State for the Colonies presents his compliments to the Under Secretary of State for India *and is directed by the Secretary of State to transmit, for the* information *of* Lord George Hamilton ~~*with reference to the letter from*~~ ~~*department of the*~~, *a copy of the* correspondence, *noted in the subjoined schedule on the subject of* an application from Captain F. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, to be allowed to reside in South Africa during the remainder of his leave of absence from Southern Nigeria.

Date.	Description.
18th April.	Captain Knowles to Colonial Office.
23 "	Colonial Office to Captain Knowles.

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Copy.

To the Under Secretary of State,

Colonial Office

29 Tisbury Road, Hove,

Brigthon,

18th April,1902.

Sir,

I have the honor to request I may be allowed to reside in South Africa during the remainder of my leave from Southern Nigeria.

In the course of an interview I had last week with Mr.Antrobus he seemed to think there would be no difficulty in the way of my doing so if the India Office raised none.

I further went to see General Stedman, the Military Secretary at the India Office, and he informed me that as I was seconded from the service of the Indian Government, the India Office would have nothing to say against my doing so.

I have, &c.,

(Sd) George Knowles, Capt.

S.N.Regt 3 W.A.F.F.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to

—— Knowles
29 Tisbury Road
Hove.

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

22 FEB.1902

Sir

I am directed to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your~~ letter of ~~and~~ to inform you ~~in reply~~ that a telegram has been received by the Colonial Office from the High Commissioner of Southern Nigeria stating that on the 7th February, Lieutenant (local Captain) G. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, in operations in the Kwa country completely defeated the enemy engaged, and that he was severely wounded in the chest and face. The telegram adds that all the wounded are doing well

(S'D) E. STEDMAN.
Major General,
Military Secretary.

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10654. I. 2121. 5000.—10/1901.

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Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 6749/1902.

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Downing Street,

20 February, 1902.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr.Secretary Chamberlain to state, for the information of Lord George Hamilton, that in a telegram received on the 16th instant, reporting the progress of the military operations in the Aro country, the High Commissioner of Southern Nigeria states that on the 7th of February, Lieutenant (local Captain) G.Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, in operations in the Kwa country completely defeated the enemy engaged, and that he was severely wounded in the chest and face.

2. The telegram adds that all the wounded are doing well.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. L. Antrobus

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MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

No. 11 para. 18

Dated 1 Feb 1901.

18. Lieutenant G. Knowles is under orders to embark for West Africa on the 6th February next. M 315.

[*In continuation of paragraph* 14 *of my Military Despatch No.* 2, *dated 4th January* 1901.]

(Form 5.)

Y 28786. 5000.—6/96. I. 1101.

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Reference Paper. Military Department.

Referred to Act. Gen. The 8th January 1901.

For information.

[signature]

Noted.

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9th January 1901.

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THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 49/1901.

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Downing Street,

5 January, 1901.

Sir,

With reference to your letter, M.12729, of the 17th of December, I am directed by Mr.Secretary Chamberlain to state, for the information of Lord George Hamilton, that Lieutenant G.Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, has been instructed to embark by the steamer leaving Liverpool on the 6th of February to take up his appointment in the 3rd (Niger) Battalion, West African Frontier Force, Southern Nigeria.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. L. Antrobus

The Under Secretary of State,

INDIA OFFICE.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 5.

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EXTRACT

MILITARY DESPATCH TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

No. 2 para. 14

Dated 4 Jan 1901.

M 12,729/1900

14. I forward herewith copy of correspondence† regarding the employment of Lieutenant G. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, with the West African Frontier Force.

Lieutenant Knowles may now be seconded in his regiment.

[*With reference to your Military Telegram dated 14th December* 1900.]

† From Colonial Office, dated 30th November 1900, and enclosure.
To ditto, dated 17th December 1900, M 12,729.
To Lieutenant Knowles, dated 17th December 1900, M 12,729.

(Form 5.)

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to the Under Sec. of State
Colonial Office

Reminder in 3 *weeks.*

Noted for .

INDIA OFFICE,

17 DEC. 1900

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th Nov:

and to acquaint you in reply that Lord George Hamilton has no objection to the employment of Lieut. G. Knowles, Indian Staff Corps, with the West African Frontier Force on the usual condition as to contribution to the Indian Exchequer towards leave and pension allowances.

Pay will be issued by to him by

Letter to Lt. K. Leslie.

(Form 10.)

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F.W.S. 15/12/00

by this Office up to and including the date preceding that of his departure for West Africa. I am to request that I may be informed as soon as possible of the date fixed for his departure.

(Sd) E. STEDMAN.
Major General,
Military Secretary.

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Return to Mr. _____ *Copy for* Accounts

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT FORM 10.

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DRAFT LETTER PAPER.

Addressed to Lieut. G. Knowles
I. P. C.
29 Tisbury Road
Hove
Sussex

Reminder in *weeks.*

Noted for

INDIA OFFICE,

17 DEC. 1900

With reference to a communication which has been received from the Colonial Office

I am directed to ~~acknowledge the receipt of your letter of~~ inform you that Lord George Hamilton ~~and to acquaint you in reply that~~ has assented to your employment with the West African Frontier Force.

During this employment you will be required to contribute to the Indian Exchequer towards your leave and pension allowances in accordance with article 1415 Indian Army Regulations, Vol.

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(Form 10.)

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F.W.S. 15/12/00

Vol. I, Part I. Regarding the amount of contribution you should address the Comptroller of Indian Treasuries at Calcutta, to whom payment must be made by yourself direct.

Your leave pay will be issued by this Office up to and including the date preceding that of your departure for West Africa.

(Sd) E. STEDMAN,
Major General,
Military Secretary.

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Mr Smith

COPY OF TELEGRAM

FROM

Viceroy.

M
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12240
Mr. Smith

DATED 14 Dec. '00

RECEIVED AT LONDON OFFICE 4.12 p.m.

Your Mil.ry Telegram, 3 Dec. Knowles.

No objection provided he is seconded or can be replaced.

11 words.

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Minute Paper.

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Military Department.

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Council		

Lieut. G. Knowles, 2nd Bengal Lancers,
Appointed to West African Force.

Approved Council, 190 . Mil. Sec. Mr.
Letter to No. M. dated 190 .
Despatch to No. " 190 .
Telegram to Viceroy No. 602. " 3 Dec 1900.

Sent 3.12.00

Sent (10 words)
Todd 3/12/00

Noted for recovery
E&T

It is proposed to send the following telegram to the Viceroy — cost recoverable from Colonial Office:-

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"Knowles, 2nd Bengal Lancers, officer for service of Pedersen
"West African Force. Plan Scordion
"you any objection"?

(Form 15.)

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F.W.J. 1/12/00

Communications on this subject should be addressed to—

THE UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE,
COLONIAL OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.,

and the following Number quoted. 38229/1900.

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M 12240 1900.

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Downing Street

30 November, 1900.

Sir,

I am directed by Mr Secretary Chamberlain to transmit to you, to be laid before Lord George Hamilton, a copy of an application from Lieutenant George Knowles, 2nd Bengal Lancers, for an appointment in the 3rd (Niger) Battalion, West African Frontier Force, in Southern Nigeria.

Lt. Knowles 22 Nov.

2. Mr Chamberlain has no knowledge of the applicant beyond what is contained in his letter, but there is a vacancy for a subaltern officer in the 3rd West African Frontier Force, which it is desirable to fill as soon as possible, and if Lieutenant Knowles is, in the opinion of Lord George Hamilton, a suitable person for the appointment, and his Lordship has no objection, Mr Chamberlain would be glad if Lieutenant Knowles could be permitted to accept it.

3. The engagement would be for three years.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

R. L. Antrobus

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To the Under Secretary of State

Colonial Office.

From Lieutenant G.Knowles, 2nd Bengal Lancers.

29, Tisbury Road

Hove, Sussex.

22nd November, 1900.

Sir,

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I have, etc.

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